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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 1-8 without prejudice.

Please add new Claims 9-16 as follows:

9. (New) Oxygen breathing mask with a sound pick-up device comprising a flexible cap with an exhalation port pierced through the flexible cap and a first microphone capsule positioned above the exhalation port, wherein the mask comprises a mouth-piece mounted in front of the first microphone capsule with an aperture turned towards a location at which a user's mouth is positioned in the mask and, taking this position of the mouth into consideration, the mouth-piece has an axis passing substantially through a junction line of the

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